

Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation.

And this same  
corporation would  
not permit it's ABC  
affiliates to air a  
tribute to our brave  
soldiers who gave  
their lives for  
Iraq! Why? They  
said it was  
propaganda.  
Obviously Sinclair's  
bias is affecting  
its judgement.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. The  
public relies on the  
FCC to protect those  
interests from abuse  
of power by those  
whom we have  
entrusted our  
airwaves.

But when large  
companies control  
the airwaves, we get  
more of what's good  
for the bottom line  
and less of what we  
need for our  
democracy. Instead  
of something  
produced at "News  
Central" far away,  
it's more important  
that we see real  
people from our own  
communities and more  
substantive news  
about issues that  
matter.

Sinclair's actions  
demonstrate just why  
we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them.

Corporations care  
about profits; the  
public cares about  
America.

These biased actions  
by Sinclair show  
just why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard.

Thank you.